Kayankulam-Tiruvalla Road.

294. **MR. V. S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether any representation has been made with regard to the gravelling of the Kayankulam-Tiruvalla road *via* Chennittala and Mannar?

(*b*) Are they aware that only a small portion (about four miles) from Chennittala to Mannar remains ungravelled?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) A representation has been made in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly that the road from Tattarambalam to Mannar should be metalled.

(*b*) Yes.

Revenue Auctions.

295. **MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Agastisvaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of Revenue auctions conducted in 1104 in the Agastisvaram, Tovala and Kalkulam taluks under Section 32 of the Revenue Recovery Regulation ;

(*b*) the number confirmed ;

(*c*) the number not confirmed ;

(*d*) whether orders were issued to the parties before confirming the auction after the lapse of time ;

(*e*) the amount deposited for discount ;

(*f*) the amount distributed ; and

(*g*) the amount credited to the Government and the reason for it?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) to (*g*) A statement * containing the required information is laid on the table.

Streets of the Depressed Classes in Shencotta.

296. **MR. K. MADHAVAN** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state what improvements have been effected in the streets occupied by the depressed classes in the Shencotta Municipality?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The President, Municipal Council, Shencotta, reports that the streets occupied by the depressed classes are well maintained and that they need no improvements at present. He adds that the only want noticed is the insufficiency of lighting arrangements and that steps are being taken to remedy the same.

Havoc caused by the Kulakkada River.

297. **MR. REVATI NAL RAMA VARMA RAJA** (*Edavagai*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any petition from the owners of the paddy fields on the western side of the Mavelikara landing ghat drawing their attention to the havoc caused by the encroachment of the Kulakkada river and praying for taking immediate steps to prevent further encroachment ; and

(*b*) the action they have taken in the matter?

* *Vide* Appendix X—page 49.

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The petition was forwarded to the Chief Engineer, whose report has been received. The matter is under the consideration of the Government.

Adur Toll-gate contractor.

298. MR. REVATI NAL RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether it is with their permission that the Adur toll-gate contractor is levying toll from vehicles which come from the Pandalam side and go to Kayankulam and *vice versa* though these vehicles do not pass through the toll-gate ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether they have notified such permission in the *Gazette* ; and, if so, the date and page of the issue of the *Gazette* ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes; *vide* page 268 of the P. W. D. sheet of the *Government Gazette* dated 3rd July 1928/20th Mithunam 1103 and also the previous and subsequent issues.

Road from Krishnapuram to Putupalli.

299. MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) what action they have taken on the recent petition from the people of Putupalli and the neighbouring pakuties in the Karunagapalli taluk and the neighbouring taluks about the losses and difficulties they suffer from owing to the want of a cart road from Krishnapuram to Putupalli on the shores of the Kayankulam backwater ;

(*b*) whether they are aware—

(i) that this road will tend to improve the economic condition of the people of several pakuties by facilitating transport of manure, agricultural produce, etc., at much cheaper rates than at present ; and

(ii) that at present (1-11-1928) there is not even one cart road running to the shores of the Kayankulam backwater where the soaking of cocoanut husks and the manufacture of coir are the chief industries ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) It was forwarded to the Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner for enquiry and report as to the necessity for the road and as to whether lands required for the road will be surrendered free.

(*b*) (i) It may; but as a result of the enquiry, the Government find that the people of the place are not keen about the road and are not willing to part with the required lands free of compensation. It is open to the people to press the need before the Roads and Canals Board, shortly to be constituted.

(ii) A road has now been opened from Marutukulangara to Karunagapalli, and another from Alampidika to Oachira is in progress.

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